
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OMNIBUS POLICY BILL

LAWS OF MINNESOTA 2015, CHAPTER 78
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2015, UNLESS OTHERWISE
SPECIFIED

Cross Reference for Culturally Specific Chemical Dependency Treatment (No fiscal impact)

Corrects a cross-reference in statute to the definition of a culturally specific substance use disorder treatment service. Article 2, section 3

Requirements for Chemical Dependency Programs Offering Childcare (No fiscal impact)

Clarifies that chemical dependency treatment providers who offer on-site child care to their clients but are not licensed as a child care provider must meet both the requirements under Minnesota Rule for chemical dependency programs that offer child care services (9530.6490) and the requirements in Minnesota statute for child care programs to be exempt from licensure (245A.03, subd. 2). Article 2, section 3

Telemedicine for Chemical Dependency Services (No fiscal impact, effective upon federal approval)

Allows the use of telemedicine to deliver substance use disorder treatment services as an alternative to face-to-face treatment. Article 2, section 3

Tobacco Inspection Vehicles (No fiscal impact)

Allows DHS tobacco inspection vehicles to use unmarked license plates when conducting unannounced tobacco compliance checks. The goal of the tobacco inspection program is to ensure that tobacco is not getting into the hands of minors and this will help ensure enhance that tobacco checks are random, unannounced, and valid. Article 2, section 1

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OMNIBUS BUDGET BILL

LAWS OF MINNESOTA 2015, CHAPTER 71
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

Chemical Dependency Provider Rate Increase (Invests \$3.6 million in FY16-17)

Increases reimbursement rates for chemical dependency treatment services by 2% over rates in effect on January 1, 2014. The rate increase applies to services provided on or after July 1, 2015. Article 2, section 36 (*Tracking line 537*)

Chemical Dependency Prevention (Invests \$300 thousand in FY16-17)

One-time grants to provide chemical dependency prevention programming in high schools. Eligible grantees must have demonstrated experience and outcomes and are required to provide matching funding. (*Tracking line 926*)

Reducing Incidence of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (Invests \$500 thousand in FY16-17)

Provides grant funding for at least three projects to provide comprehensive, gender-specific services to pregnant and parenting women suspected of or known to use or abuse alcohol or other drugs. Grants will be administered by the Minnesota Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (MOFAS). (*Tracking line 922*)

Withdrawal Management (No fiscal impact)

Establishes service standards for a withdrawal management benefit under Medical Assistance (MA). Withdrawal management services are a medical model of detoxification services. DHS will be required to develop a payment methodology and to seek federal approval for the new service. Subsequent legislative action and funding will be required before this becomes an available MA benefit. Article 3, sections 1-21.